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For: "SOFT PAPER PRODUCTS WITH LOW LINT AND SLOUGH"

**Assignment - Joint Inventors**

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

WHEREAS, Barbara J. Burns, residing at 804 Houndslake Drive, Aiken, South Carolina 29803; Daniel S. Westbrook, residing at N7697 Palisades Trail, Sherwood, Wisconsin 54169; Timothy M. McFarland, residing at 744 Yorkshire Road, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956; James M. Kaun, residing at W7508 Winnegamie Drive, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956; Werner F.W. Lonsky, residing at 34 Crestview Court, Appleton, Wisconsin 54915; and Alberto R. Negri, residing at 1127 East Capitol Drive, Appleton, Wisconsin 54911; (hereinafter collectively referred to as Assignors), have made an invention and have each either (1) previously executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America therefor or (2) are contemporaneously executing an application for Letters Patent of the United States of America for the invention with is entitled: "SOFT PAPER PRODUCTS WITH LOW LINT AND SLOUGH".

AND WHEREAS, Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc., a corporation of the State of Delaware, having offices at 401 North Lake Street, Neenah, Wisconsin 54956, United States of America (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention and under said Letters Patent or similar legal protection to be obtained therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that in consideration of the payment by the Assignee to the Assignors of the sum of One U.S. Dollar (\$1.00 U.S.) and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Assignors hereby sell, assign and transfer to the Assignees the full and

exclusive right, title and interest to said invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent or similar legal protection in the United States and its territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries to be obtained for said invention by said application or any continuation, continuation-in-part, divisional, renewal, substitute, re-examination, conversion or reissue thereof, including all extensions thereof, or any legal equivalent thereof in any foreign country for the full term or terms for which the same may be granted, including any and all convention rights.

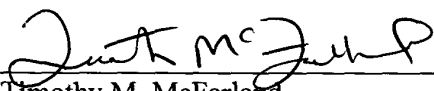
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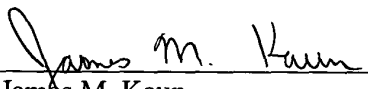
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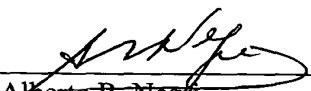
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As the below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

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We hereby state that each of us has reviewed and understands the contents of the specification, including the claims and any accompanying drawings, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.

We acknowledge our duty to disclose all information which is material to the patentability of this application as defined by 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

As the named inventors, we hereby appoint the following attorneys and/or agents to prosecute

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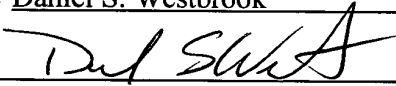
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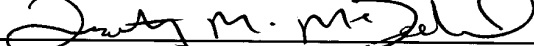
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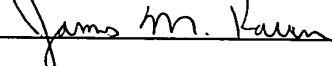
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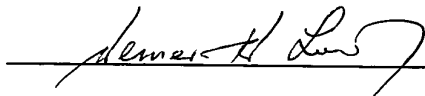
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